

Climate Trends, Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming

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Historical and projected climate trends (Gonzalez et al. 2010, IPCC 2007, Mitchell and Jones 2005) for the area that includes the national park.

	mean	SD	mean	SD
Historical (1901-2002)				
temperature annual average	6.9	0.9 °C	44	2 °F.
temperature linear trend	0.8	Sig. °C/century	1.4	Sig. °F./cent.
precipitation annual average	420	86 mm/y	16.6	3 in./year
precipitation linear trend	-6	N.S. %/century	-6	N.S. %/century
Projected (1990-2100)				
IPCC B1 scenario (lower emissions)				
temperature annual average trend	2.8	1.1 °C/century	5	2 °F./cent.
precipitation annual average trend	3	12 %/century	3	12 %/century
IPCC A1B scenario (medium emissions)				
temperature annual average trend	3.8	1.1 °C/century	7	2 °F./cent.
precipitation annual average trend	3	12 %/century	3	12 %/century
IPCC A2 scenario (higher emissions)				
temperature annual average trend	4.4	1.1 °C/century	8	2 °F./cent.
precipitation annual average trend	6	12 %/century	6	12 %/century

SD = standard deviation; Sig. = statistically significant; N.S. = not statistically significant

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